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Hi Wenona –

Adam was at the Tribal Council to present an update on progress under the SDWA 1414 and 1431 Orders on Monday, October 20th. Here is a recent internal update from Adam (that I slightly modified). Let us know if you want more, and Adam can provide additional detail or answer any questions.

ECAD Warm Springs Update (Adam/EPA & Travis Wells/CTWS briefed Tribal Council on October 20 concerning these updates):

The Tribe submitted a request for EPA to extend the terms of the Order on Consent until June 2020. EPA has not yet provided a written response. The Tribe has entered into a contract with a third party to oversee spending down approximately \$770K in current federal funds allocated to the Tribe. Approved funds have not yet been obligated/spent due to lack of tribal capacity to do so. Tribal representatives recently voted for a process by which the major plant functions are organized into eight “sub-projects”, and each sub-project will be put out for bid to develop a current condition analysis before moving to the design and build phase. The third party will collect these condition assessments and package together to provide EPA the complete engineering analysis of the water plant required under the Emergency Order. The sub-projects will not be ready in time to comply with the current timeline in the Emergency Order. Consequently, the Tribe will submit an extension request for that specific provision as well. EPA briefed Tribal

Council on October 20<sup>th</sup> concerning these updates. EPA/ECAD will reduce the frequency of in-person briefings going through the planning/ budgeting cycle during winter months. (contact Adam Baron/ECAD compliance officer).

Thanks,

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I have just been confirmed to go before the Warm Springs tribal council this Monday to discuss a potential opportunity to begin a funded community education and outreach initiative around water usage, utility costs and residential utility fees. I have already spoken with the Tribe's CEO and Chairman about this opportunity, they are interested and asked me to talk with the full council. I am also coordinating with USDA-RD to ensure their partnership if the tribe gives the green light.

Last month, I reached out to our Community Involvement Team to ask if the TASC contract could be used to support this education and outreach work at Warm Springs. Deb Sherbina worked with her HQ counterparts and miraculously found 35K from HQ OEJ that can be used toward this important work! Mat, Peter or Adam - I could use a couple sentences about where we are, in general, on the community water system compliance issues and although I doubt it will come up, on the wastewater system as well. I don't plan to discuss these things, just want to be generally informed in case these topics come up. I will refer specific questions back to you all.

I am current with where we are on the landfill and do not need further information on that topic.

Thanks everyone. Feel free to give me a call if you have questions or advice. I am really excited about this opportunity. If the tribe elects to move forward, it will provide the Council and community important information they can use to plan and make decisions in the future. With costs understood and a fee program installed, the tribe will be eligible for further USDA funds and support.

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